

THE FLYING TIMES

The Official Newsletter of the Sonoma Skycrafters EAA Chapter 1268

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SONOMA SKYPARK FAMILY FUN DAY AT ITS FINEST!

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FIRST THINGS FIRST

The June meeting is this **Tuesday**, **June 14**. The Board of Directors will meet at 6:00 p.m. Dinner is at 7:00 p.m. after the Board of Directors' meeting, and is \$6.00 per person. Our chef for the month will be Marsi Fahraji, who will be whipping up a killer pasta salad.

Our program will be the EAA Chapter video for June.

EAA 1268 MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN
AND TREASURER REPORT
May 2016

Membership Report – Dues renewal for 2016 is proceeding at a good pace. Of the 72 active members (those who have paid their dues in the last 2 years) 53 are paid up through 2016.

We also picked up one new member last month - **Kristen Gregory**.

If you were at last month's meeting you witnessed Kristen's arrival all the way from Napa in an almost new Glasair Sportsman 2+2 piloted by owner Ray Ramano and fellow passenger Jared, an aspiring pilot. Ray and his co-builder/airplane partner Ian Leverton took advantage of Glasair's "two weeks to taxi" builder assist program at the factory in Arlington Washington.

Kristen is very active in aviation. She's the president of the Napa Airport Pilots Association, Squadron Commander of the Napa County Sheriff Aero Squadron and participates in the Napa EAA chapter activities esp. the Young Eagle events.

I asked her to give me a brief bio for this report and how she got involved in aviation - this is what I received:

"In 2006 I took a flight to San Bernardino, to look at a red MGB convertible, which I bought. I enjoyed the flight, but worried about what would happen if the pilot were to pass out, so I decided to take a Pinch Hitter lesson. After that lesson I thought "pinch hitter nothing, I want to fly this thing!" I started lessons in a low wing at Concord, but that did not work, so I switched instructors, airplanes, and airports by coming to Napa where I finished my private and instrument ratings with Napa Jet Center. I still have a day job, but will retire in a few years, so in preparation for that I am going for my Commercial and CFI ratings. I am squadron commander of the Napa County Sheriff's Aero Squadron, which is also a lot of fun. I like to fly to our place in Tahoe in my C152, which I do pretty regularly, weather permitting, and I have about 1200 hours now. I took some lessons in a glider at Soar Truckee, in order to become better at using thermals to climb to altitude, which has been very helpful".

It looks like Kristen will be a real asset to our chapter!

.Treasurer Report Activity in the checking account this past month has consisted of a deposit of \$292 with no withdrawls. Included in the deposits was \$115 for dues, \$50 for Air Academy donations, and \$127 in dinner proceeds.

Our checking account balance on April 30 was \$9376.26.

That's all for now, see you at the meeting, Bill Wheadon, EAA 1268 Membership Chairman and Treasurer

YOUNG EAGLES

The June Young Eagles Day saw four pilots fly 21 Young Eagles. The volunteer pilots were Jim Lachendro, Ron Price, Walt Eastland and Leon Scarborogh. Ground crew were B. K. White and Paul Siebert, and admin was handled by John Thomason, Rane Daigle and Katie Griffin, one of the parents. Ground school was our own Calvin Wojuleski.

As always BK White is looking for volunteer pilots, ground crew and registration helpers for our monthly Young Eagles events. Let him know you will be joining us and helping out by sending him an email to eagle1@vom.com or by calling him at 707-996-1335.

AIR EXPLORER UPDATE

The latest from the Aviation Explorers:

Hello from Air Explorers!

MOVIE NIGHT AT SKYPARK

Movie night for July will be **Saturday**, **June 25**.

The movie will be another exciting vintage film from aviation and Hollywood's golden age (I think).

Pizza is always available for \$5 per person, including beverages, and complimentary popcorn just to whet your appetite (or spoil it), courtesy of Walt Lewis and his Amazing Real Movie Theater Popcorn Popping Extravaganza Machine.

See you at the movies on Skypark Movie Night, **SATURDAY**, **JUNE 25** at 6 p.m.

DINNER SCHEDULE

Here's the deal. We have the same people volunteering to prepare dinner for the Chapter more than once a year. We have enough membership that it should be no sweat to find 11 volunteer chefs to put together anything from steak to pizza for about 30 people. Spaghetti. Chili (again). Hot dogs.

Give Robin a call at robntat@aol.com or 707-553-2747 and let her know you will take one of the few remaining months for dinner. Also let me know at wd6bor@vom.com and I'll put you on the roster.

The schedule for this year so far is:

Month	Cook	Meal			
2016 DINNER SCHEDULE					
JAN	Bill & Jan W.	Chili			
FEB	Marsi & Amir	Persian Chili			
MAR	Nelleke & Rich	Chili Spaghetti			
APR		Mildly Chili			
MAY		Chilly			
JUN	Marsi	Pasta chili			
JUL		Hot			
AUG		Not So Chilly			
SEP		Cool, Man			
OCT		Cooler Still			
NOV		Dern Cold			
DEC	XMAS	PARTY			

SPEAKERS

Here's another opportunity to tell your hangar tales to a captive audience. If you don't call me I might call you. Don't make me do it...

Send an email to me at wd6bor@vom.com so we can get your program or speaker information into the newsletter.

Month	Speaker/Member	Subject				
2016 SPEAKER SCHEDULE						
JAN	Roland					
FEB						
MAR						
APR						
MAY						
JUN	Chapter video					
JUL						
AUG						
SEP						
OCT						
NOV						
DEC	Herr S. Klaus	IFR/NIGHT				
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2016 EAA 1268 CALENDAR

Send me any exciting, thrilling, terrifying or just plain fun events you have for the calendar.

EVENT			
Skypark Family Fun Day			
Young Eagles 9 Am			
1268 Meeting 7 Pm			
Skypark Movie Night			
Young Eagles 9 Am			
1268 Meeting 7 Pm			
AirVenture Oshkosh 7/25-31			
Skypark Movie Night			
Young Eagles 9 Am			
1268 Meeting 7 Pm			
Skypark Movie Night			
Young Eagles 9 Am			
1268 Meeting 7 Pm			
Skypark Movie Night			
Every Saturday Noon to 1:30 pm			
Skypark Hamburgers and Hot Dogs!			

Send me your news for your newsletter!

Sonoma Skycrafters

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MEMBERSHIP <u>DUES ARE DUE</u> IN JANUARY, AND MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JANUARY TO DECEMBER. DUES ARE STILL A MODEST <u>FIFTEEN BUCKS</u>, SO BRING SOME CASH FOR DINNER AND A BIT MORE TO <u>PAY YOUR DUES FOR 2016!</u> SEE YOU THERE!

REMEMBER! THE JUNE MEETING OF SONOMA SKYCRAFTERS EAA CHAPTER 1268 IS THIS TUESDAY, JUNE 14 AT 7 P.M., AT THE SKYCRAFTER'S CLUBHOUSE HANGAR B-5 AT SONOMA SKYPARK AIRPORT.

DINNER STARTS AT 7 PM, SO DON'T BE LATE!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE 6 P.M. BEFORE THE MEETING

SKYCRAFTER MEMBERSHIP

EAA CHAPTER 1268	Membership Dues:	\$15 per year.				
Name:		EMAIL:				
Address:				APT:		
City:		State:	ZIP:			
Telephone number, home	:	work:				
EAA MEMBERSHIP NUMBER:		_EXPIRATION DA	TE:			
AIRCRAFT OWNED OR BUILDING:						

Please mail your dues to:

Your check should be made payable to:

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